

Nominees sought for Charles W. Anderson Award

A lifetime dedicated to equality

Each year, the Kentucky Personnel Cabinet presents the Charles W. Anderson Laureate Award to an individual(s) who has made significant contributions in addressing socio-economic issues, including equal employment.



Anderson became the first African-American legislator in Kentucky, and the South, since the Reconstruction Era. He joined the Kentucky General Assembly in January 1936 and served five consecutive terms.

Throughout his tenure, Anderson was the catalyst for legislation guaranteeing opportunities for African-American students and the prohibition of racial discrimination in hiring on public building projects. He dedicated his career to equal treatment, and spearheaded a movement to allow female teachers to keep their positions after marriage.

Anderson resigned from his House seat in 1946 in order to become the first black Assistant Commonwealth Attorney.

Since 1989, [61 recipients](#) have been presented with the award during the annual EEO Conference.

To submit a nomination for the 2016 Charles W. Anderson Laureate Award, visit the Personnel Cabinet's [website](#). The deadline is October 3, 2016.

Nominees must be Kentuckians, either native or adopted. Nominees may be either living or deceased. The individual's contributions must benefit those in at least one of the following protected classes: race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, age, disability, genetic information, political affiliation or veteran status. The nomination will be judged based on their achievements over an extended period of time. Nominations must specify the level of impact the nominee has made to their community, state, or nation.

Nominate someone for the 2016 Charles W. Anderson Laureate Award [here](#).

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